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**Amendment Under 37 CFR 1.116**

Dear Examiner:

This amendment responds to the final Office action mailed April 22, 2004 (Paper #10) for the above-identified application, in which claims 19, 20, 23, 25, and 26 were rejected and claim 24 was objected to.

By way of the present amendment, claim 19 has been amended and claims 25 and 26 have been canceled. Four (4) claims remain pending in the application, claims 19, 20, 23 and 24, of which claim 19 is independent. Applicant submits that this Amendment places the claims in condition for allowance and/or in better form for consideration on appeal. It is earnestly requested that this Amendment be considered and entered.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 6 of this paper.


**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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